

Sept. 14, 1977

Dear Jim & Vickie,

Are you getting ready to go to Turkey, Jim? That sure sounds like an exciting trip. Mom said to tell you her cold is better. I just talked to her, and she is looking forward to taking Diane again.

She was out here a couple weeks ago, and it was fun to see her. She was so excited to see Seattle again, and we were all over at Kettle Falls for a weekend, too. It really is pretty over there, although it takes so long to get there, especially with Diane.

Diane is sitting on my lap now, telling me where to write next, so that's why my writing is a little shaky.

This fall I'm taking an Accounting Class at Bellevue Community College three nights a week, and also a sketching class thru the Parks Dept. once a week during the day. Diana will be in Preschool 2 days mornings, so I'll have a little time to study. Two of my friends are pregnant again, and I just can't see why they want to tie themselves down like that again. Even though you love your children, you get so tired of having to be there all the time.

I had a baby shower for Diana last week, and told everyone there would be a surprise. The surprise was that I had ~~saved~~ found stacks of their old letters written to me from as far back as high school. I gave them to them and read a few out loud. I thought it

was a great surprise, however I think my friends were a little embarrassed at how silly they thought they sounded.

It's been so pretty here, we are having a beautiful fall. Since our Summer was also so nice, I hope we have a snowy winter. I like it when there are seasons (instead of just rain). Of course, you are used to having distinct seasons, aren't you?

Liane is sitting in the sink taking a bath but is about ready to get out now.

Hope to see you both soon.

Love,

Mary

